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What I'm striking is, "or voluntary manslaughter". How in the world, manslaughter, I'll say again, on this amendment so the whole package is here. Manslaughter does not exist unless a human being is killed. There must be a death. There is no way. under the law, that I can solicit somebody to commit voluntary manslaughter. That, if you will, could be called an oxymoron. If I intentionally and with premeditation solicit the killing of a person, it is murder. That remains in the bill. People in Congress are not as careful as they need to be. touching other language that makes the committing of voluntary manslaughter a valid factor for consideration. A person can commit voluntary manslaughter, although I don't know if under Nebraska's laws, I suppose there is such an offense. manslaughter is committed, that's stays in the bill. But what I am striking is this aiding and abetting language with reference to voluntary manslaughter. It cannot be manslaughter if you are soliciting the killing of a person. Remember, brothers and sisters, the manslaughter, the act has not taken place. carried out, this killing solicited by you, that's murder. We The act is never are not talking about the act itself. completed. We're talking about soliciting it, first of all. Now let's go to the word "abetted" because that would mean that the individual had been killed, and you, somehow, abected it or aided or advanced the effort to kill the person. There has to be an absence of accident. We're talking about an act, the way this language is drafted, that is intentional. You think about wanting this person killed. That cannot be voluntary Why do I want this taken out of the bill? manslaughter. Because I don't think we ought to have in the law provisions that simply make no sense. This does not make legal sense. does not make policy sense. And if there are any lawyers on the floor who can maybe give me an example of how somebody can solicit voluntary manslaughter, then I stand to be But that's what the amendment is, and I've offered reasons for it, and I'll answer any questions you may have.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Wesely, you are recognized to speak to the Chambers amendment.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you, Mr. President and members. Senator Matzke, I haven't had a chance to clarify what he feels about it, but my...my sense is that the term is utilized in federal